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Invention: COMPOSITE PROSTHETIC
BEARING CONSTRUCTED OF
POLYETHYLENE AND AN
ETHYLENE-ACRYLATE
COPOLYMER AND METHOD
FOR MAKING THE SAME
Applicant: Richard King et al.
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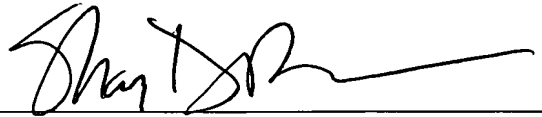
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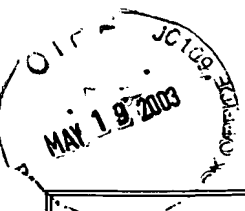
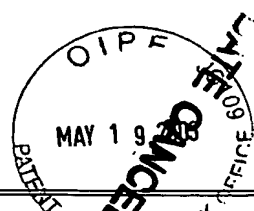
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
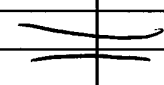
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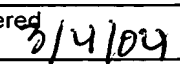
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